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Breast Cancer in Paraffin-Embedded Tumor Draining Lymph Nodes by Multimarker Quantitative RT-PCR

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a three month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed June 30, 2010, thereby extending the time period within which to respond to December 30, 2010.

In response to the final Office Action mailed on June 30, 2010, please amend the above-identified application as follows: